Weekend Parking Alternatives

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Background

UC San Diego Parking Services operates as a self-sustaining auxiliary unit that funds parking construction, campus shuttles and mobility programs, in addition to the parking program. To help fund continued improvement and expansion of campus parking facilities, Transportation Services previously proposed a \$5 flat weekend parking fee for individuals who park on weekends and did not purchase a campus parking permit. You can view information about our parking development plans and use of permit fees here http://transportation.ucsd.edu/construction/facilities.html

A significant number of students, along with supportive faculty, staff and community members, expressed concern about this specific proposal and the introduction of paid weekend parking on the La Jolla campus generally. As a result, Transportation Services worked with Associated Students, Graduate Student Association leadership and the Student Transportation Advisory Committee to develop alternatives that respond to the different needs expressed by the community and to ensure that the scale and form of paid parking does not adversely affect student access.

The group identified four alternatives for how UC San Diego could introduce paid parking on weekends while supporting student access for academic, social and employment purposes. We are seeking campus feedback on these alternatives and gauging community preference among them. We anticipate that one of these alternatives will be implemented beginning in Fall Quarter 2019.

Related Parking Terms

Night and Weekend parking permit: Allows parking in A/B/S spots after the "permit upgrade time" on weekdays and all day on weekends

Permit upgrade times: Times during which all permits upgrade to allow for parking in any permit parking spot. During permit upgrade times, S, SR and D permit holders can park in A, B,

S and V spaces. Permit upgrade times are currently 4:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. weekdays and all day on weekends.

D "Discount" permit: Reduced-rate permit being introduced for the Regents lots (P704/705) for the 2019-20 academic year.

Paid Parking Hours: The hours during which a physical or virtual parking permit is required to park. Outside of paid parking hours, any vehicle may park without a permit. (Certain locations use payment by parking stall number instead of a physical or virtual permit.)

Virtual Permit: A digital (vs. physical) parking permit associated to a specific user by the individual's license plate(s).

Free Weekend Parking "Virtual Permit:" An online permit that will allow students to register their vehicles online for a One-Day parking permit

Common Elements of All Alternatives

- 1. Existing monthly, quarterly and annual permit holders will not pay anything extra to park on campus on weekends and would be able to park in A, B, S and V spaces.
- 2. "Night and Weekend" permits valid in A, B, S and V spaces would continue to be available to the campus community.
- 3. Transportation Services will charge hourly parking fees on weekends at 50% of the weekday rate, with a daily maximum charge equal to four hours of parking.
- 4. Unless otherwise indicated in the alternatives, current policies will remain the same. Special weekend policies and rates at UC San Diego Health and Scripps Institution of Oceanography will remain in place.

Variation Among Alternatives

While the alternatives have several items in common (see previous page) they also differ in important ways.

	Last Year	Base Case	Alternative A	Alternative B	Alternative C	Alternative D
Student NW Permit	\$45	\$60	\$75	\$60	\$60	\$30
Price/Quarter						
Student D Permit	\$195	\$195	\$210	\$195	\$195	\$195
Price/Quarter						
S & SR Permit	\$195	\$240	\$255	\$240	\$240	\$240
Price/Quarter						
Grad Student B	\$258	\$270	\$285	\$270	\$270	\$270
Permit						
Permit Upgrade	After	After 4:30 pm	After 4:30 pm	After 4:30 pm	After 4:00 pm	After 4:00 pm
Hours	4:30 pm	weekdays and				
	weekdays	all weekend				
Paid Parking Hours	7am-	7am-11pm	7am-11pm	7am-11pm	7am-9pm	7am-9pm
Weekdays	11pm					
Paid Parking Hours	N/A	7am-11pm	7am-11pm	7am-11pm	10:30am-	10:30am-11pm
Weekends					11pm	
Student Free	All	No Weekend	All Weekend	10 Weekend	6 Weekend	1 Weekend
Weekend Parking	Weekend	Days	Days	Days	Days	Day
Days Per Quarter	Days					

Alternative A

- Students would be able to register online for a free virtual parking permit, valid on the weekend only in A, B, S and V spaces.
- To meet the revenue requirements that drove the proposal for weekend parking fees, a \$5/month (\$15/quarter, \$60/year) surcharge would be applied to all student parking permit purchases (including the sale of B permits to graduate students). The surcharge would be in addition to any approved rate increases. (This would result in quarterly student permit prices of \$210 (D), \$255 (S/SR), and \$285 (B) for fall 2019. See above table.)
- The surcharge would remain in place as long as the student free weekend parking permit remained in place.

Alternative B

- Students would be eligible to register online for 10 complimentary weekend parking days each quarter, delivered as virtual one-day permits valid in A, B, S, and V spaces. Additional parking days could be purchased for \$4/day.
- These terms would stay in place for a minimum of two years, until light rail (trolley) opens.

Alternative C

- Students would be eligible to register online for 6 complimentary weekend parking days each quarter. Additional parking days could be purchased for \$4/day.
- Parking permits would not be required after 9pm daily (currently 11pm Monday-Friday) or before 10:30am on the weekend.
- Student (S) and Discount (D) parking permits would upgrade for use in A, B, and V spaces at 4pm daily (currently 4:30).
- These terms would stay in place for a minimum of two years, until light rail (trolley) opens.

Alternative D

- Students would receive a 50% discount on night and weekend parking permits (valid in A, B, S, and V spaces after 4pm weekdays and all day on weekends). Permits would be \$30/quarter for the 2019-20 academic year.
- Parking permits would not be required after 9pm daily (currently 11pm Monday-Friday) or before 10:30am on the weekend.
- Student (S) and Discount (D) parking permits would upgrade for use in A, B, and V spaces at 4pm daily (currently 4:30).
- Students would be eligible for one complimentary weekend parking day each quarter. Additional weekend parking days could be purchased for \$4/day.

Parking Facility Investments

The campus community has been clear about the fact that we need more parking. As a self-sustaining auxiliary service, parking must cover all the costs associated with operating and expanding the parking system. Parking also funds campus mobility programs including our intracampus shuttles, Triton Transit.

We recently completed the Osler Parking Structure (1350 stalls) and Campus Point Parking Expansion (275 stalls). Parking construction currently in construction, design, or planning includes:

Project	Status	Anticipated Delivery	Number of Stalls	
Nuevo West Commuter Parking	Construction	Spring 2020	~500 stalls	
North Torrey Pines Living & Learning	Construction	Fall 2020	~1200 stalls	
Future College Living & Learning	Design	Fall 2023	~1200 stalls	
Triton Pavilion	Design	2023	~300 stalls	
Voigt 2 @ Baseball Stadium	Design	2021	~1800 stalls	
SIO Parking Structure	Planning	TBD	~300 stalls	
Hillcrest Medical Center	Design	2023	~2400 stalls	

This rapid development comes at a cost. Over a six year period, parking debt payments are expected to triple and debt will eclipse operations and maintenance as the primary use of parking funds. This is financially sustainable but will require modest annual increases to permit rates and sharing the cost of developing and operating parking across all users of campus parking facilities.





